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**ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
FOR WEEK ENDING 01-Sep-01 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	CURRENT WEEK 09/01/01	PREVIOUS WEEK 08/25/01
BRO-FRY	165,042	163,435
LT HENS	1,973	1,794
HVY HENS	1,444	1,426

**U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA
WEEKS ENDING 25-AUG-01 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
HEAD	408	0	408
LAST WEEK	359	8	367
SAME WK YR AGO	437	38	475
TO DATE 2001	15,260	227	15,487
TO DATE 2000	16,375	451	16,826

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SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

TOTAL U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN THE U.S. AND CANADA

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
HEAD	2,104	1,421	3,525
LAST WEEK	2,154	1,474	3,628
SAME WK YR AGO	2,260	1,349	3,609
TO DATE 2001	75,192	47,013	122,205
TO DATE 2000	82,598	49,209	131,807

**LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
WEEK ENDING 25-Aug-01 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
HEAD	158,648 (A)	1,696	1,421	3,117
AVG WT	4.92	3.39	8.16	5.56
LAST WEEK	159,302	1,795	1,466	3,261
SAME WEEK YR AGO	160,646	1,823	1,311	3,134
AVG WT	4.91	4.41	8.05	5.93
TO-DATE/2001	5,217,657	59,932	46,786	106,718
TO-DATE/2000	5,271,757	66,223	48,758	114,981

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 156.4 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period 160.6 million head or 4.2 million head less than or 103 percent of estimated fryers available.

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**YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION,
CLASSIFIED BY LIVE WEIGHT, WEEK ENDING August 18, 2001**

(A) FAST FOOD/FOOD SERVICE	(B) RETAIL	(C) DEBONING
4.20 LBS & DOWN	4.21-5.25 LBS	5.26 LBS & UP
-----THOUSANDS-----		

HEAD	30,950	33,280	38,253
AVG WEIGHT	3.80	4.63	5.99
% OF TOTAL /1	30%	32%	37%
COMPARISONS			
LAST WEEK	31,288	30,947	39,126
AVG WEIGHT	3.74	4.73	6.03
% OF TOTAL /1	31%	31%	39%
 SAME WEEK, YR AGO /2	 34,631	 34,508	 43,337
AVG WEIGHT	3.74	4.70	5.97
% OF TOTAL /1	31%	31%	39%
 TO DATE/2001	 1,072,917	 907,576	 1,451,520
TO DATE/2000	1,094,905	1,097,970	1,350,190

/1 MAY NOT TOTAL TO 100% DUE TO ROUNDING

/2 COMPARABLE WEEK

- (A) This weight class generally denotes chickens marketed in the fast food and food service industries. May also include Cornish hens.
- (B) This weight class generally denotes chickens marketed in the retail industry.
- (C) This weight class generally denotes chickens used in further processing. May also include heavy roasters sold in retail channels.

**LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED WEEK ENDING 25-Aug-01
(THOUSAND HEAD)**

	YOUNG (B) HENS	TOMS	YOUNG BREEDERS	OLD BREEDERS	TOTAL
HEAD	1,892	3,098	60	12	5,062
AVG WT	15.17	32.69	23.95	26.16	26.03
HEAD SLTR COMPARISONS					
LAST WEEK	2,087	2,804	72	9	4,972
SAME WEEK YR AGO	2,245 (B)	3,023	41	24	5,333
AVG WT	15.43 (B)	31.73	23.29	26.70	24.44
TO-DATE/2001	68,114 (B)	92,001	1,419	407	161,941
TO-DATE/2000	160,282 (B)		780	952	162,014

(B) Comparable data not available for last year, this data is comprised of hens and toms.

SOURCE: USDA/AMS POULTRY PROGRAMS, MARKET NEWS BRANCH.
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